

*The Saks Store*  
Pennsylvania Avenue and Seventh Street.

## Clearing the Way for the Semi-Annual Inventory.

Every odd and even—every small lot—every broken size—every remnant length—EVERYTHING in EVERY DEPARTMENT that isn't in full and complete quantity—AND MUCH THAT IS—will be offered during the next eight days—BEGINNING TOMORROW MORNING—at prices clipped so close that absolute clearance will be for certain. Read this long list of sacrifices—and read each succeeding day's—EVERY ITEM—for each one is a positive and decided bargain. The determination and sincerity with which we undertake these Season-Ending Sales are fully appreciated by the alert public. All we need add is—THAT THIS OCCASION ECLIPSES ALL OF ITS 63 PREDECESSORS.

### The Men's Crash Suit Sale

goes merrily along. Just what you want when you want it. Choice of every Crash Suit in the house—values up to \$7.50, for.

**\$2.50**

### The Ladies' Shoe Sale

is slated for three days only. Choice of Black and Tan and Patent Leather High Boots and Oxfords—worth up to \$3.50, for.

**\$1.98**

45-inch Flouncing, hemstitched and embroidered, in pieces from 2 to 4 1/2 yards long. Worth \$1.25 to \$1.50. NOW.....	49c.	Ladies' Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, every thread warranted linen. 37 1/2 x 37 1/2. Each.....	5c.	Short lengths of Plaid Taffeta, Printed India and Poulard and Fancy Taffeta Silks; worth 75c. to \$1.25 a yard, for.....	48c.
27-inch Flouncings for children's dresses or short under-skirts; regular 60c. and 75c. a yard. NOW.....	39c.	Ladies' Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, with hemstitch and fancy borders; worth 12 1/2c. each. NOW.....	6c.	200 yards of Dimities, Mulls and Swisses; all good, usable lengths; regular retail price, 18c. a yard. NOW.....	5c.
2 Swiss Embroidered Robes; the skirts are all ready to wear, with materials and trimmings for waists; worth \$16 and \$18. NOW.....	\$5	Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, embroidered, scalloped and hemstitched; were it not for trifling imperfections would sell for 60c. NOW.....	23c.	A few Bleached Turkish Towels, full size, and the kind we have been selling at 19c. each. NOW.....	15c.
Ladies' Low-neck Vests, 22 of them only; worth 7c. each. NOW.....	3 1/2c.	Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, White and Colored effects; the last few cut in half in price; worth 25c. NOW.....	12 1/2c.	Black French Batiste, guaranteed good and regular 25c. quality; only three pieces left.....	15c.
Ladies' Lisle Thread Vests, low neck and sleeves; Black, White, Cream, Pink and Blue; some worth 25c. NOW.....	15c.	Ladies' Pine Stocks, with four-hand ends, and Lawn Stocks, with White and Colored ends; choice of the lot for.....	23c.	Outing Flannel, in choice light colors; all together not over 200 yards; worth 10c. a yard. NOW.....	6c.
Ladies' Maco Ribbed Vests, in Pink, Blue and White; low neck and sleeves; lace crocheted; worth 16c. NOW.....	9c.	Long of Ladies' Scarfs, 2 yards long, in Blue and White combination effects. 50c. is the lowest any of them have been sold. NOW.....	29c.	Odd and ends of lots of Ladies' Belts; many kinds; worth from 25c. to 50c. each. Choice.....	5c.
Children's Vests, light weight; low neck and sleeves; nearly all sizes; worth 5c. NOW.....	5c.	Lot of Ladies' String Ties, Stocks and Muff Scarfs, in White and Colored; worth 25c. and 30c. Choice.....	10c.	Ladies' Patent Leather Belts, with nickel buckles; worth 25c. and 35c. Choice.....	10c.
Ladies' 2-clasp Kid Gloves, in Black and White, and the popular coloring; broken lots of 80c., \$1 and \$1.25. NOW.....	49c.	Jewel Shirt Waist and Skirt Suits; the boxes are broken so they do not look as tidy as they should; worth 25c. NOW.....	5c.	Odd and ends of Ladies' Beaded Belts, in White, Black and Colored; worth from \$1.25 to \$2.50. Choice.....	75c.
Ladies' Pure Black Silk Gloves, with double tipped fingers; sizes 5 1/2 to 6 1/2. Regular 30c. NOW.....	19c.	Pearl Edge Wash Braids, for trimming summer dresses and wash gowns; 12 yards to 50 yards the piece, for.....	5c.	Sterling Silver Friendship Hearts; both large and small sizes; worth 25c. and 30c. Choice.....	10c.
Children's Black Ribbed Hose; fast color; sizes 5, 5 1/2 and 6; regular 12 1/2c. NOW.....	5c.	Lot of 40-inch Lawn Linings, in Pink, Cream, Yellow, two shades of Gray, Light Blue, Green, Violet and White; regular value, 12 1/2c. a yard. NOW.....	7 1/2c.	Cyrano Chains, in Jet, coral and crystal; quite the fad and have been sold at 10c. and 50c. Choice for.....	10c.
Ladies' Seamless Hose, with double heels and toes; in Tan only; regular 12 1/2c. values, for.....	6c.	Lot of Habutai Wash Silks, in plaids and stripe effects; these are guaranteed; worth 40c. a yard.....	19c.	Sterling Silver Waist Pin Sets; heavy and novel designs; worth 50c. per set. NOW.....	25c.
Ladies' Silk Lisle Hose; dropped heel, in plain and striped patterns; also Black and White; worth 25c. and \$1 a pair. NOW.....	39c.	Short lengths of Brown Mohair Suits, double width, and in all about 200 yards; splendid value for 15c. a yard. NOW.....	5c.	Jet and Steel Beaded Belts; worth 25c. and 30c. Choice.....	25c.
Children's Pure Lisle Thread Hose; ribbed and fast black, with White feet; sizes 5 to 5 1/2; worth 12 1/2c. a pair. NOW.....	14c.	Lot of Novelty Suitings, in light colors and light weight, corded effects, with changeable shades; worth 25c. a yard. NOW.....	25c.	Broken lots of Men's Leather Belts; regular 25c. and 35c. kinds; what are left, for your choice at.....	10c.
Black and Cardinal Gaze Silk Fans; with handsomely decorated sticks; regular 30c. value, for.....	25c.	Lot of 27-inch Figured Mohair, large and small sizes; fast Black and very fashionable; regular price 12 1/2c. a yard. NOW.....	7 1/2c.	Broken lots of Men's Madras Negligé Shirts, with separate cuffs; sizes 15 1/2 to 17 1/2; worth up to 17 1/2c. for.....	19c.
Japanese Fans, several styles, in native designs and novel patterns; regular 30c., and 50c. Fans, for.....	18c.	500 yards of Percale and Linen Linings, a large lot of which are the fashionable Pink shade; for lining summer dresses and wash gowns; 10 and 12 1/2c. values, for.....	2 1/2c.	Broken lots of Men's Imported Madras Negligé Shirts; sizes are 14, 15 1/2, 16, 16 1/2, 17 and 17 1/2. Reduced from \$1 and \$1.25 to.....	39c.

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### TRADE WITH SOUTH AMERICA.

#### How We May Compete With the Nations of the World.

United States Consul Hill sends to the State Department from Santos, under date of April 18, tables showing the trade of the United States with the various South American countries during the last ten years. There has been during the decade a steady decline in our imports from South America in values and quantities; for, with the single exception of coffee, the staples constituting our imports from that section are higher in price today than they were ten years ago. Coffee, which has greatly increased in quantity, has fallen tremendously in value.

The most notable expansion in our export trade during the last ten years has been with Europe; but there has been a greater increase with every part of the world than with South America. He continues:

"The United States should employ the agencies adopted by European nations in attaining their supremacy in these markets, viz: steamships under our own flag, banks under our own control and business houses under distinctly American management. Once we are placed upon terms of equality with these particular nations, we can be left to their own initiative."

"No one acquainted with their resourceful, enterprising and adaptable character need doubt that, with our present capacity to manufacture largely and cheaply, we shall gradually assume our proper place as a competitor in South American trade."

Consul Hill mentions the good effects of the cruise of the Wilmington to the upper reaches of the Amazon. He says:

"In addition to the labor of exploration that formed such an important object of the cruise, the display of a modern steel vessel, so perfectly adapted to river work as the Wilmington is a fit exhibition of the capability and preparedness of our domestic designers, steel plants, shipyards and engine works to turn out products equal to the best."

"Nothing that comes within the actual purview of foreign policy, whether native or merely domestic, is so emblematic of a nation's industrial power or weakness as the government vessels that fly its flag in foreign ports."

"During the years succeeding Admiral Walker's visit of congratulation to Brazil in 1887," he continues, "when vessels of our new navy took the place upon the coast of the Tallaopos, Essex and Yantic types—which were neither ornamental nor useful—and were in consequence being run down by non-militant cut barges—the increased respect commanded by the appearance of our vessels has been, I believe, a real and constant, though inappreciable, commercial factor."

### WISCONSIN DEMOCRATS DIVIDED.

#### Canvass Shows Very Decided Differences on Bryan and Free Silver.

The democrats of Wisconsin are still divided was plainly shown by a canvass of the political situation yesterday at Milwaukee. While the state central committee favors the nomination of William Jennings Bryan as a presidential candidate, National Committee Chairman Edward C. Wall does not favor the nomination of Bryan, and many gold democrats are with him.

George W. Peck, chairman of the democratic state central committee, in an interview last night endorsed the organization of the Bryan Club in Milwaukee Tuesday night. National Committeeman Wall, however, is quoted as saying that as far as his position on the national democratic committee is concerned, if the democratic convention declares for the coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, he would not care to serve on the committee.

Speaking for the democratic state central committee, Chairman Peck said:

"The chairman of the state central committee believes, and I believe most of the members agree with him, that Mr. Bryan should be nominated, and that he will be nominated. They cannot well in their official positions advocate his nomination now, if he is nominated they will do so in the power to elect him, believing him to be the best man in the world today. Individually, members may join clubs to bring about his nomination, and that he will be the best man in the world today, but their official work comes when the nomination is made."

### EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT AT PARIS.

#### It Will Be Distinctly National, Although All Sections Will Contribute.

Howard J. Rogers, director of education and social economy to the United States commission of the Paris exposition, said yesterday in New York of the exhibit that is being arranged for the United States that it was impossible to estimate how many parts of the country will be represented in the educational exhibits.

"The cities which have adequate appropriations and which will be represented completely in all departments, from the kindergarten to the high school, are Boston, New York, Newark, Albany, Chicago, St. Paul, Omaha and Denver. Other cities are preparing work in special ways or to illustrate special features."

"The educational exhibit will be distinctly national in form, although all material contributed by any city or state will be properly credited to that locality. The effort is to show, irrespective of state lines, the best and most advanced work which is being done in every grade of public school work and in college and university departments in the United States. To accomplish this the exhibit will be arranged by grades, so

### that in examining one can find in one section all the primary work of each country, and in another all the grammar school work, and so on.

"In the department of higher education the same scheme will be followed, and instead of the primary work being assigned to the great universities, the space is blocked in various departments, viz: law, medicine, theology, pure science, philosophy, language and literature, fine arts. All the great universities of the country are preparing exhibits in two or more of these departments, as they choose."

### CHARLESTON THE SUFFERER.

#### John A. Smith Before the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Two witnesses in the Charleston case were examined by the interstate commerce commission at the forenoon session yesterday. They were B.T. Newbury, general freight agent of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, and John A. Smith, president of the Charleston bureau of freight and transportation.

Mr. Newbury was questioned as to the business done by his line with the south through the south. He said that on through routes made by his line with the railroads they were able to compete successfully with the northern trunk lines on western points on the Maine coast, though the direct rail route was 500 miles shorter.

This point was brought out by the complainants with the view of showing the possibility of moving freight cheaply through the south.

Mr. Smith was the main witness for the complainants and presented in great detail the facts collected by the Charleston commission tending to show discrimination against that city and in favor of the cities known in traffic parlance as the "Virginia gateways."

Mr. Smith gave instances where the through rates from Chicago to Charleston were from 5 to 21 cents greater per hundred than the combination rate from Chicago to Norfolk, and thence to Charleston. In addition he declared that the railroads made it impossible for the Charleston merchants to take advantage of these combination rates.

### Admiral Cromwell Here.

Admiral Cromwell, commandant of the naval station at Havana, has arrived here on leave of absence. The Havana station is now on shore, the being a large ship on duty there and only one small craft for harbor uses. The admiral reported his yards in good condition and he has arranged with Secretary Long and with Admiral Endicott, chief of the yards and docks, for some extensions and repairs of the buildings.

### BIG STRIKE SETTLED.

#### Thousands of Men Will Return to Work in Alabama.

Advices from Dubois, Pa., last night said: The strike of the coal miners of this district was finally settled this afternoon. All mines in this region will resume at once. The delegates were in session here two days, with General Manager Robinson present, before a final agreement was reached. The terms agreed upon are the same as the operators offered the miners at the beginning of the strike. An advance is given to 45 cents per ton for pick mining and 22 1/2 cents per ton for machines. Drivers and laborers receive an advance of 10 per cent.

The agreement is to continue in force for one year. It provides also that in the event of an advance in competing regions the miners of this region will be given a proportionate advance. The scale agreed upon is the highest that has been paid in this region for several years. The resumption of operations will give employment to 10,000 miners and several thousand railroad men, besides 300 shop men.

"It means prosperity to the whole region."

### Not Up to Pennsylvania Standard.

According to a dispatch yesterday from Harrisburg, Pa., Dr. George W. Ludwig of Chambersburg recently obtained a rule on the medical council of Pennsylvania requiring it to show cause why it should not issue him a license to practice medicine and surgery in Pennsylvania. Mr. Ludwig is a graduate of the Maryland University of Baltimore and was yesterday afternoon granted him by the board of examiners of Maryland. The contention of the Pennsylvania medical council was that the medical law of the state of Maryland failed to meet the demands of the state of Pennsylvania, and Judge Simonson, in an opinion handed down yesterday afternoon, sustained the Pennsylvania council and ordered the rule discharged. There were half a dozen similar cases before the board, all of which will be governed by these directions.

### Absorption Talk Pure Nonsense.

The New Haven Register yesterday afternoon published an interview with Vice President John M. Hall of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company touching reports to the effect that the New Haven company may be absorbed by the New York Central. Judge Hall is quoted as characterizing such rumors as "bosh" and "utterly unfounded on fact." Continuing, he said:

"The New Haven's relations with the New York Central and the Pennsylvania are friendly for years, and will continue to be so. The lease does not affect us."

### In any way, and we expect to be on hand to carry passengers just the same as usual.

"As to the rumors, I can say that there is no truth in them. There is no truth in the rumors that the Vanderbilt is coming here to swallow up this line—absolutely none. The situation will continue to be as it has been, and all this absorption talk is pure nonsense."

### Japanese Immigration to Philippines.

The American Bible society has received a report from the Rev. Mr. Loomis, its agent in Japan, in which he quotes a prominent Japanese as saying that the question of sending emigrants to the Philippine Islands was being considered, and if only a suitable opening is found there for the laboring classes a considerable number will be ready to go. Every vessel to Hawaii from Japan for some time past has taken on board a party of Japanese laborers.

### Negro Miners Shot From Ambush.

The first act of violence in the ore mine strike of the Robinson Mining Company of Ishkooda, Ala., which has been in progress for three weeks, occurred between Oxmoe and Ishkooda, Tuesday night.

Gus Miller, a negro mulatto boy, working for the company, was seriously wounded and may die.

George Henry and George Brown, both negro miners, working for the company, were wounded by shots which did not penetrate far and will recover. The men were shot from ambush.

Orders were issued at the War Department directing headquarters and two battalions of the 19th Infantry to leave Camp Meade in time to reach San Francisco to sail for Manila on the Tarrar on the 22d of July.

### Hot Arrivals.

Arlington—C. H. Mann, Philadelphia; G. W. Wilson, Pittsburg; E. B. Smith, Chicago.

### Automobile Association Suggested.

The Electrical Review, in its current number, issues a call to all interested in automobiles to meet in New York city in September, to form a national automobile association for these reasons:

### THE WORLD OF SOCIETY

#### Miss Powell and Lieut. Haeffner Married in Alexandria.

#### Ceremony Followed by a Reception in This City—Other Weddings.

#### Personal Notes.

The marriage of Miss Louise Douglas Powell, daughter of the late Lieutenant Joseph S. Powell and Mrs. Annie Louise Powell of this city, to Lieut. Wilhelm Gustav Haeffner of Wiesbaden, Germany, last night at St. Paul's Church, Alexandria, was a most interesting event. A Virginia ceremony was necessary to avoid a delay of a month or more, because owing to a law in Germany in force the past year her citizens must give notice of their intention to marry long enough in advance that three public announcements may be made. Without this formality the German ambassador here could not endorse the application for a marriage license, which the law of this district ordains in the case of a foreigner. These details, which are bothersome enough for those who have to overcome them, only added increased zest to the pleasure of the witnesses to the beautiful ceremony at St. Paul's, which united as pretty a bride and as handsome a groom as have been seen for many a day.

The Washington party went down by a special train at 6:20, being preceded an hour by the couple and the family party. The train stopped at about midnight at the church, where the ushers, Mr. J. Albert Shaffer, Mr. B. Frank Meyer, Mr. F. S. Key-Smith and Mr. Charles Rabold of Baltimore, were in waiting to escort them to seats. The chancel was elaborately decked with palms and the organist rendered appropriate selections before and during the ceremony. The ushers and maid of honor, Miss Mary Kendrick of Boston, led the way to the chancel. The bride came in carried by her grandfather, Mr. Thomas McGill, and at the chancel railing was met by the groom and his best man, Mr. Alexander Zook of the Russian embassy. Rev. Peter Parker Phillips, rector of the church, performed the ceremony.

The young bride looked her prettiest in a trailing gown of ivory satin trimmed in chiffon. The gumpie was of shirred chiffon and cascades of point lace extended from the shoulders to the waist line. The lace collar was held by a gleaming crescent of diamonds, the gift of the bride's mother. The bride's bouquet was from the face. Her bouquet of bride roses was tied with long streamers of white ribbon.

The bride's maid of honor, Miss Kendrick, wore white mousseline de soie with insertions of Irish point lace over pink taffeta, and carried a cluster of long-stemmed American Beauty roses.

Mrs. Powell, the bride's mother, wore mauve faille with the bodice of shirred chiffon. The bride's party and friends came back to Washington in the train and arrived at the railroad station to take them to the residence of Mrs. Powell, 1120 Vermont avenue, where the reception followed. The party was most profuse and decorated with roses and sweet peas. In the first room, where Lieut. Haeffner and his bride received congratulations, the flowers were white roses, white lilies and white carnations.

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Rose, Berlin; A. Peck, Norfolk, Va.; E. F. Adkins, Boston.

Wellington—H. D. Blake, Philadelphia; I. A. Summerfield, Dayton, Ohio; C. H. Evans, Chicago.

Willard—W. N. Dovenor, Wheeling, W. Va.; C. V. Ford, Fairfax, Va.; C. W. Benton, Philadelphia; J. O. Geor, New York.

### NAVAL CHIEFS DISAGREE.

#### Proposed Modification of an Order Relating to Construction.

A sharp discussion occurred at yesterday's meeting of the board of naval chiefs relative to the proposed modification of general order 433. This order gives to the naval constructor general supervision of all work on ships, including that originating from other branches of the service. Efforts have been made to modify the order on the ground that it centered in the chief naval constructor a practical control of all the coordinate branches of the department. By a vote of 4 to 1 the board decided to work ago to recommend a change, the constructor voting to continue the old system. A majority report was to be made, but up to date it has not been submitted. In the meantime the railway report of the chief constructor was submitted. At yesterday's meeting inquiries were made as to the cause for not making the majority report, and it was finally decided to hold another meeting in order to hurry the question to a definite issue. It is exciting much interest in official circles as the decision is felt to involve the control of the construction of all warships.

### NOT IN THE WHISKY TRUST.

#### The Largest Producer of Rye in the Country Is Not for Sale.

The report to the effect that the whisky trust had bought up the famous Gibson plant near Pittsburg was absolutely denied by the owner, Joseph F. Sinnott of Philadelphia, yesterday. "There is no word of truth in the statement that the plant has been sold," declared Mr. Sinnott. "The trust had an option on the plant which expired July 1, but negotiations are now entirely off. You may say that the plant is not for sale at present at any price."

The distillery, which is known as the Gibson Mills, is the largest producer of rye whisky in the United States, the annual output being 33,000 barrels a year. Mr. Sinnott is the sole owner, but the plant is operated under the firm name of Moore & Sinnott.

### The New Dock at Portsmouth.

The navy has advertised for bids on the new stone dock at Portsmouth, N. H. It is to cost not exceeding \$1,000,000, with dimensions as follows: Length, 750 feet; depth, 30 feet; width on floor, 100 feet. It will be a thoroughly modern dock, capable of receiving the largest battle ship. Its equipment will include a cluster of long-stemmed American Beauty roses.

### Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following:

White—James H. Wright and Florence Smith; Charles L. Clark and Sallie May Marshall.

Colored—Benjamin Bradey and Dolly Ann Wilkison.

### Held for Trial.

Lewis Williams, colored, of No. 212 12th street northeast was today charged before Judge Scott with having broken into the house of Mr. Andrew Manger, No. 417 D street northeast, Monday last and stealing 300 yards of clothing. Williams was held for trial on \$1,000 for the charge and was held in \$1,000 for the action of the grand jury. The full particulars of the case were published in The Star Tuesday.